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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated June 4, 1996, please amend the claims as follows:

In claim 6, line 3, after "a continuous" insert -- opaque--.

In claim 10, line 4, after "includes a lower" insert -- opaque--.

Discussion:

Applicant would respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding office action in light of the preceding amendment and the following discussion.

Claims 6-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as unpatentable over *Powers* in view of *Mahn*. In the office action, it was maintained that the primary reference taught a heat activated applique having a continuous indicia-bearing layer, bonded to a first support layer with a pressure-sensitive adhesive and an upper heat-activated adhesive layer bonded to a second surface of the indicia-bearing layer. Applicant would maintain that this is not a correct interpretation of the *Powers* reference.